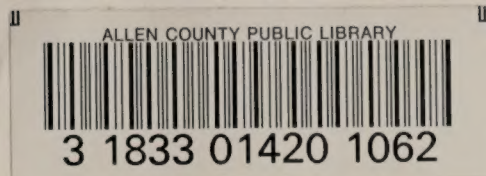


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Various are the etymologies which have been suggested for the name of OUSLEY.

Some will have it that the original family was Lee, and that some dwelling in the West became known as the West Lees, later Wesley, and so on, and that others came to reside on the Ouse and were called Ous Lees. Others again trace it to progenitors living on the confluence of the two Rivers, Ous and Lee. Others again derive it from the French oisle, a bird. However this may be, the OUSLEYS are said to have descended from a Shropshire Family.

The Family Crest is a Wolf's Head with a bleeding hand in its mouth. The Motto is "Mors lupi agnis vita". This crest like so many others is accounted for by a curious legend. A gallant warrior of that name married a beautiful maiden named Agnes, about the time of Edward I. After his return from the Holy Land marched through Shropshire to attack the Prince of Wales. Ouseley being of rank in that country considered it his duty to meet the King and invite him to his home, though reluctant to, he left his bride.

Agnes on the following day went a short distance to meet the King and her husband. But just as, accompanied by her maidens, when she approached the Royal party, a large black wolf rushed out of the Holly thicket and bit off her hand. So intent was the ferocious beast upon his pray that the enraged husband was enabled to seize him and strangle him before the King and to sever the head from the body. Before this adventure the Arms of the family of Ouseley were an "Or, a Chevron" but the legend has it that upon this occasion the addition was made of "three Holly leaves vert, a chief sa." to the arms and the Crest of "Wolf's head with a right hand in its mouth couped at the wrist, gules out of a ducal coronet with the Motto, "Mors lupi agnis vita", and it is said that there exists in a church in Shropshire a monument containing the figure of this warrior and his lady, in which the latter is represented without her right hand.

(From the Genealogical Magazine London, March, 1902.)

Mary C. Ousler, Washington, D. C.

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OURSLEY

This family name has gone through many spellings, Ousley, Oursley, Owsley, Ouslee.

Some will have it that the original family was Lee, and that some dwelling in the West became Westlee, later Westly. Others came to reside on the Ouse and were called Ouse Lees. Others trace the name to those living on the confluence of the two rivers, Ouse and Lee. Others think the name is French and was derived from the bird oisle. However this may be, the OUSLEYS are said to have descended from a Shropshire family.

The family CREST is a Wolf's Head with a bleeding hand in its mouth. The motto is "Mors lupi agnis vita". The Crest like so many others is accounted for by a curious Legend. A gallant warrior of that name married a beautiful maiden named AGNES about the time of Edward I. After his return from the Holy Land, they marched through Shropshire to attack the Prince of Wales. Oursley being of Rank in that country considered it his duty to meet the King and invite him to his home. Though reluctant, he left his BRIDE to perform this duty.

Agnes on the following day went a short distance to meet her husband. But just as, accompanied by her Maidens, she approached the Royal Party, a large Black Wolf rushed out of the Holly bushes and bit off her hand. So intent was the furious beast upon his prey that the enraged husband was enabled to seize him and strangle him before the King and to sever the head from the body.

Before this adventure the Arms of the Oursley Family were "Or, a Chevron Sable", but the legend has it that upon this occasion an addition was made of Three Holly Leaves Vert to the arm, and the Crest: A wolf's Head with a right hand in his mouth couped at the wrist gules out of a ducal coronet with the motto "Mors lupi agnis vita".

It is said that there exists in a Church in Shropshire a monument containing a figure of a warrior and his lady in which the latter is represented without her right hand.

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1 Edward Oursler B 1710
D 1789
M 11/21/1734 in St. Paul's Episcopal Ch. Baltimore,
Maryland, Ruth Owings. B 1712
D 1795

Ch.2 Mary B M Joseph Miller
3 Elizabeth B M Benjamin Jarvis
4 Elam (Eli) B 10/28/1741 M Anna Pemberton
5 Margaret B
6 Edward D
7 Jacob D
8 Ormand B
9 Abraham
10 Catherine B M Wier

The Will of Edward Oursler is recorded in Will Book 5, page
244 Baltimore Co'ty, Maryland, Registers Office. Edward
Oursler was born 1710 and was past the age for service
in the Revolutionary War, but he signed the Test Oath.
His name is on the list of the Worshipful Edward Cocky.

11 William B M Mary Parlee
12 Charles B 4/27/1755 M Martha McCanley (K)
13 John B M Sarah Baker
14 Sarah B M Grimes

Ruth Owings was the daughter of Richard Owings and Sarah
Scutt of Baltimore County, Md.

Of the 13 children of Edward and Ruth Oursler we have the
families of but two traced.

4 Eli Oursler B 10/29/1741
D 1832
M Ann Pemberton B

Ch.15. Henry Oursler, Sr. B
D
M Ann Elizabeth Hartzel B
D

Ch 16 Henry Oursler B 12/22/1810
M 3/6/1836, D 11/27/1891
Susanna Lowry B 2/28/1814
D 2/28/1891

Ch 17 John R. Oursler B
D
M Ann Cunningham B
D

Ch 18 Mary C. Oursler

The above is the record as given by Mary C. Oursler, 1415
Longfellow St., Washington, D. C. (N.W.)

Miss Oursler has this family line traced to Normandy. They
came to England with William the Conqueror.

12 Charles Oursler B 4/27/1755
D 3/19/1796

M 2/5/1778 Baltimore Co., M. D.,
 Martha McCanley (Kinley) B ' 1759

Ch 19 Joseph	B		D
20 Archibald	B	5/11/1781	M Rachael Riggs
			Elizabeth Shelton
21 Charles	B		M Elizabeth Skelton
22 Ruth	B		M William Jacobs
			Wilson Hawes
23	B		M Caleb Herd
24 Mary Jane	B	1792	M Samuel Neel
25 Elizabeth	B		M John Lyman
26 Catherine	B		M John Jones
27 Margaret	B		

Charles Owsler signed the Oath of Allegience. His name is
 on the list of The Worshipful Edward Cockey. As is
 that of his father.

OURSLEER NEEL

24	Mary Jane Oursler	B 3/2/1792	
		D 4/12/1874	Brown Co., Ohio
	M 1814?		
	Samuel Neel (Neal)	B 3/8/1786	
		D 8/8/1862	Brown Co., Ohio
Ch 28	John	B	M died.
29	Katherine	B 1/30/1817	M Thompson Roush
30	William	B	M Abi Shelton
31	Hiram Stivers	B 4/18/1818	M Malinda Badders
32	Martha	B	D single
33	Mary	B	M Joe Baird
34	Middleton Anson	B	M Amelia Shelton
35	Samuel	B	M Rachael Roush
36	Norton Washington	B	M Jemima Bryant
37	Evelin	B	M John Robinson

Samuel and Mary Jane (Oursler) Neel lived in Brown County, Ohio. They are both buried in the Hickory Ridge Cemetery. The dates were taken from the stones in Feb. 1931. The stones were reported to be in good condition at that time.

29	Katherine Neel	B 1/30/1817	
		D 11/14/1919	
m. O. Thompson Roush		B 1816	
		D 9/6/1898	
Ch 38	John		
39	Margaret	1857	
40	Sarah	8/14/1842	M S. S. Dasso
41	Marion	12/1/1843	
42	Samuel	10/24/1845	M Stella Palter
43	Mamer		
44	David	12/5/1848	
45	James	8/6/1850	
46	Frank	3/5/1852	
47	George	2/5/1855	
48	Mary	8/3/1859	
49	Amy		
50	Isabel		

George and Katherine Roush came from Brown Co., O. to Dallas Co., Ia. Above from Page 919 History of Dallas Co., Iowa. George was the first child born in Dallas County.

31	Hiram Stivers Neel	B 4/18/1818	
		D 12/22/1862	Brown Co. O.
	M 11/22/1837		Brown Co. O.
	Malinda Badders	B 6/20/1816	
		D 11/2/1853	Brown Co. O.
Ch 51	John Robinson	B	M
52	William Moses	B	M
53	George Samuel	B 3/20/1842	M Minerva Glass
54	Lousetta	B	M M. W. Rolfsen
55	Emaline	B	M George Blair
56	Mary Jane	B	M Tom Oursler
57	Rebecca	B	M single
58	Norman Dawson	B	

The above couple were married and died in Brown County,
Ohio. They are buried in the Hickory Ridge Cemetery.

33 Mary Neel	B	
	D	
M Job Baird	B	
	D	
Ch 59 Samuel Baird	B	M
34 Middleton Anson Neel	B	
	D	
M Amelia Shelton	B	
	D	
Ch 60 Harriett Neel	B	M
35 Samuel Neel	B	
	D	
M Rachael Roush	B	
	D	
Ch 61 Martha	B	M
62 Norton	B	M
36 Norton Washington Neel	B	
	D	
M Jemima Bryant	B	
	D	
Ch 63 Irene	B	
64 Caroline	B	
65 Mary Ellen	B	
66 Massie	B	
67 Amanda	B	
68 William	B	
69 Eliza	B	
37 Evaline Neel	B	
	D	
M John Robinson	B	
	D	
Ch 70 Martha	B	M
71 Samuel	B	M
72 Kate	B	M
73 Ann	B	M
74 Thomas	B	M
75 Margaret	B	M
53 George Samuel Neel	B 3/20/1842 Brown Co. O.	
	D (Living 4/24/1931)	
M 1/17/1866 Brown Co. O.		
Minerva Glass	B 9/1/1843 Fleming Co. Ky.	
	D (Living 4/24/1931)	
Ch Dorris	B 3/11/1868	M Alexander Grove
William Anson	B	M Frances Wilbur
Charles Albert	B	M Maude Simpson
Elleanor	B	M M B Price
John Hiram	B	M Ollie Allen
		Lura Chrisenson
Minerva Frances	B	M Charles T. Simpson

George Franklin

B

M Helen Van Sternberg

Vida Goodenongle

Florence

B

M Clarence Marion

Buchanan.

Dorris Neel

B 3/11/1868

D

M 2/11/1885 Webster City, Iowa

Alexander Grove

B 9/21/1849

D

Ch

Carl

B

M Eva Guthrie

Ethel

B

M Ralph William Fullerton

Ralph Waldo

B

M Vera Casper

Ruth

B

D

Clyde

B

M Helen Alexander

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Edward Richmond	B	1633
	Died	1696

Lived at Newport, Rhode Island and Little Compton, Massachusetts.

Was Deputy from Rhode Island to the General Assembly 1678 ,
1679.

Solicitor General 1667, 1669, 1671. 2. 7.

Attorney General of Rhode Island 1677, 1678, 1679.

Lieutenant of a Newport Company 1676.

Lieutenant 1686 of Little Compton.

Captain 1689 of Little Compton Company.

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